EXTENSION OF DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

CITY OF GROVELAND

Whereas, a serious threat to the public health, safety and welfare has been created by the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Whereas, Chapter 252, F.S., authorizes the City of Groveland to declare that a local state of emergency exists.

Whereas, Pursuant to F.S. 252.38 (3), the carrying out the provisions of ss. 252.31-252.90, Florida Statutes, the City of Groveland has those powers and authority as set forth in F.S. 252.38(3).

Whereas, on March 20, 2020 the City declared a local state of emergency in response to COVID-19, which was thereafter extended each time for an additional seven (7) days.

Whereas, the City of Groveland is currently under a State of Emergency pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-52, as declared by Governor DeSantis on March 9, 2020 and thereafter extended which remains in effect.

Whereas, on April 29, 2020 Governor DeSantis entered Executive Order Number 20-112 outlining Phase 1: Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida's Recovery effective May 4, 2020, which was subsequently modified in part, extending Executive Order No. 20-69 relating to public meetings and otherwise modified as therein stated.

Whereas, Executive Order No. 20-69 (public meetings) has been extended several times.

Whereas, on September 25, 2020 Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-244 which supersedes and eliminates all restrictions of Executive Orders 20-112, 20-123 and 20-139, as well as Executive Orders 20-192, 20-114 and 20-223, except as modified by 20-244;

Whereas, on September 30, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-246 extending Executive Order 20-69, as was thereafter amended and extended, and Section 4 of Executive Order 20-69, thereby providing for Executive Order 20-69 to remain in effect until 12:01 a.m. November 1, 2020; and

Whereas, the Mayor has determined that a local state of emergency continues to exist and hereby declares an extension of the Declaration of Local State of Emergency City of Groveland due to the significant impacts and serious threats to public health and safety related to COVID-19, and further declares the City will adhere to Executive Order Number 20-244 and 20-246.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED,

An extension to the Declaration of Local State of Emergency City of Groveland is hereby declared for an additional seven (7) days. The City shall adhere to Executive Orders Number 20-244 and 20-246.

This Extension of Declaration shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days unless extended or dissolved. This Declaration may be extended in seven (7) day increments by the mayor or vice-mayor, in the mayor's absence. Any extension shall be in writing, signed and dated, and attached to this Declaration.

Attest

October 16, 2020

Mayor Evelyn Wilson

Virginia Wright, City Clerk